

[EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 148, November 18, 2002]

ATTACHING THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL CONSTRUCTION CORPORATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

WHEREAS , the Philippine National Construction Corporation (PNCC), formerly the Construction Development Corporation of the Philippines, holds by virtue of Presidential Decree (P.D.) No. 1113, as amended by P.D. No. 1894, a franchise to operate, construct and maintain the North and South Luzon Expressways and the Metro Manila Expressway;

WHEREAS , the Government of the Republic of the Philippines and/or government financial institutions have majority ownership of the PNCC, which, pursuant to PNCC vs. Pabion (320 SCRA 188), may be considered as a government-owned and controlled corporation;

WHEREAS , there is a need to make the PNCC the primary vehicle for pushing forward the governments toll road programs nationwide;

WHEREAS , to achieve this objective, there is now a need to attach, for policy and program coordination and for general supervision, the PNCC to the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH), with which it has allied functions, especially in the development of road networks within the country; and

WHEREAS , under Section 5, Book IV of the Administrative Code of 1987, the President is empowered to indicate to which department a government corporation may be attached;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO , President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the following:

SECTION 1. Attachment of the PNCC. The PNCC is hereby attached to the DPWH for policy and program coordination and for general supervision.

SEC. 1. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Manila, this day of NOV 18 2002, in the year of our Lord, two thousand and two.

(SGD.) GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO

By the President:

(SGD.) ALBERTO G. ROMULO